

Ladies' Column.

Shawls.

How few women there are who can wear gracefully these most beautiful of coverings! It seems to be a special gift to a limited number, and the rest are left to sigh and try but never to attain. A member of this unfortunate majority once said, in defense of the ex-empress of France: "She may be bigoted, but she can wear a shawl as no other woman could whom I have ever seen!" and for this, perhaps, she should be more noted than for any other reason. The Ottoman rep shawls with gray Roman stripes, come in with a variety of prices and styles than I have before known them to. You can buy some thing of the kind from \$4 upward, and many of the finer qualities are as handsome as anything but a cashmere or camel's hair can be. Of course, they are called Persian and shawl stripes this year, everything is—but in spite of that, they are handsome. I don't suppose anybody objects to the shawls' gorgeous shawls, and mantles and scarfs, as much as they do to the creature himself. A beautiful shawl in market now, half repped, half cashmere, with finely wrought stripes of silk, seems wonderfully eastern in style, but is, I believe, the work of the world-surpassing French looms. There appears to be nothing that French wit and French skill cannot accomplish.—*New York Letter.*

She Would Have Her Money.

One woman succeeded in fairly melting the heart of one of the directors. She was a young woman, not particularly pretty, perhaps, but interesting, and she had tears in her eyes and \$50 in the bank. She rushed frantically to one of the directors, and asked if she could not draw her money.

"I am sorry, madam," said he, "but I can't help you to it just now."

"But I must have it immediately," she returned, passionately. "It's all I have in the world."

"Well, my dear madam, you must have patience as well as the rest."

"But mine is an urgent case, and I can't wait, because—"

"Well, because what?"

"Because," said she, with a smile on her lip and a tear in her eye, "because I'm going to be married, and I've got to get some things. The man I'm going to marry has a cent to pay the minister, and he has only one leg, and so I've got to see to everything myself."

The benevolent director dove into his pocket and produced his private purse, out of which he paid her the amount. And she went on her way rejoicing.—*Chicago Times.*

BONNETS, HATS AND HAIR.—The women who want to wear hats, but who, from age, looks, and other considerations, don't like quite to appear in an unequivocal jockey, will have to decide in favor of the one or the other. Those conglomerates which have been hats on girls of 15, and bonnets on women of 50, are a blessing that has brightened and taken its flight. What you wear now must be definite. There is no more pinning on strings, and pretending to a bonnet in the evening, when you know, in your secret soul, that it was a hat in the morning. The awful moment has arrived when it is to be either a peaked crown and brim turned up on one side, or a coronet-front, with wide, unmistakable strings. One comfort is to be extracted from this, however; that is, the hair coming lower behind. It must—the new hats cannot otherwise be worn.

A LACE KERCHIEF, folded Quaker-fashion over the shoulders, and passing under the waist of low dresses, is among the favorite novelties. The prettiest neck looks prettier under a film of lace, and its beneficent effect on an ugly neck is past computing. There is a dash of coquetry in these delicate kerchiefs, that is in no wise displeasing to the average feminine mind, and they are destined to a very active existence.

A LADY had several hundred dollars' worth of point lace clipped off her clothing by an adroit thief, while she was at church, singing. "Strip me of the robe of pride, clothe me in humility."

The new color predicted to sweep everything before it this winter is as yet, unnamed. It is described as looking like spoiled preserves, and will be worn in polonaises over black silk.

The cake has been ordered for the wedding of the Duke of Edinburgh and that Russian girl. It will be seven feet and six inches high, and will weigh 230 pounds.

The most gaudy garments will be worn in the house this winter, such as sleeveless jackets of scarlet cloth, embroidered in Nile-green, gray and violet.

WOMEN'S latest Dolmans are of soft fine cloth, nearly covered with braiding, trimmed with ostrich feathers, and lined with silk plush.

Young ladies who sigh after high-backed silver combs need only to hunt among their grandmothers' relics to find "just the thing."

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